



BRITISH EXTEND SOMME GROUND IN NEW ATTACK

Gain Delville Wood and Advance Near Poizieres and Longueval

STRAIGHTEN OUT LINE

Teutons Win Neuve Chappelle Trenches, but Are Soon Ejected

The capture of the whole of Delville wood and further progress near Poizieres and Longueval by the British were announced by the London War Office today in the official report on the operations on the Somme front.

Delville wood is on the highway between Longueval and Flers, east of Longueval and north of the Waterlot farm, about which some of the bloodiest fighting since the initial successes of the British on the Somme front has raged.

German troops succeeded in entering British trenches near Neuve Chappelle, farther north of the Somme line, but were ejected by counter-attacks.

The army of the Crown Prince renewed its efforts on the Verdun front but failed to win any ground, the Paris War Office reported this afternoon. The Germans delivered their attacks on the right bank of the Meuse, but the attacks were beaten back.

Russian troops fighting with the French opened an offensive in Champagne, raiding German trenches and bringing back prisoners.

HAIK'S TROOPS NOW HOLD ALL OF DELVILLE WOOD; STIFFEN ENTIRE FRONT

LONDON, July 28.—After a night of violent fighting the British forces north of the Somme now occupy the whole of Delville wood.

The British War Office in an official report issued early this afternoon announced the complete occupation of the wood.

The greater part of Delville wood had been taken by the British on Thursday after it had been raked for hours by guns of every calibre.

However, the Germans managed to retain a small corner of it. Fresh assaults were undertaken by the British and the Germans were soon driven from their defensive works among the blasted trees after fierce hand-to-hand fighting.

Strong counter-attacks were delivered by the Germans in an effort to retake the wood, but all of these were repulsed.

Renewed assaults in the region of Poizieres also won the British more ground and a gain was made near Longueval, the official report stated.

Farther north on the battle front the Germans attempted a counter-offensive and succeeded in entering British trenches near Neuve Chappelle, but were after counter-attacks thrown out by counter-attacks.

The gains of the British at Delville wood, Longueval and Poizieres enabled them to straighten their line and give them a firmer grip on the high ground for which they have been contending so stubbornly.

The following is the text of the official report:

After severe fighting we drove out the Fifth Brandenburg Division that had retained positions in Delville wood, capturing 3 officers and 168 men. The whole wood is now in our hands. Two German counter-attacks were beaten off with heavy losses. We have made further progress at Longueval village and near Poizieres. At the latter place we captured 48 wounded Germans.

During the night the guns of the enemy were active against our new positions. There were heavy artillery duels in various sectors.

At Neuve Chappelle small parties of Germans succeeded in entering our trenches at some points, but were immediately driven out by counter-attacks, leaving some wounded.

Northeast of Souchez and at other points our artillery shelled the enemy's front line and communication trenches. The following report on the Mesopotamian campaign was issued by the War Office:

The Mesopotamia situation is quiet and unchanged. Two of our gunboats were fired on from the banks of the Euphrates Khidir River. Our boats

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Generally cloudy tonight and Saturday; probably sunny Saturday; moderate winds, mostly northeast.

LENGTH OF DAY

Sun rises... 4:54 a.m. Moon rises... 3:20 a.m. Sun sets... 7:18 p.m. Moon sets... 11:02 p.m.

DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES

CHESTNUT STREET. High water... 12:12 a.m. High water... 12:32 p.m. Low water... 7:30 a.m. Low water... 7:50 p.m.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

5 9 10 11 12 1 2 3 4 5 72 73 74 74 75 77 77 77

LOST AND FOUND

BAR PIN—Lost, 41st st. to 42d st., chased dog bar pin about 9:30. Reward, \$50.

RUSSIANS NEAR BRODY; BATTER GATES OF CITY

Slav Troops Only Five Miles From Great Galician Stronghold

TOWN KEY TO LEMBERG

Petrograd Reports Progress in Region of Baranovichi

The important Galician city of Brody, commanding the Lemberg-Rovno railway, one of the strategic "spokes" of the Lemberg "wheel," domination of which the forces of General Brusiloff are endeavoring to obtain, is now under fire of Russian artillery.

Heavy fighting is in progress south of Baranovitchi and particularly on the Schitsachara River. At this point the German army of Prince Leopold of Bavaria, the conqueror of Warsaw, is battling desperately to keep the Russians from gaining possession of important lines of communication.

In Asia Minor the army of Grand Duke Nicholas is pushing its relentless pursuit of the Turks, scattering the flower of the Ottoman army in its demoralized flight toward Divrik and Karahissar.

BRODY AND OUTLYING DEFENSES UNDER FIRE OF RUSSIANS' ARTILLERY

PETROGRAD, July 28.—Russian troops are now within five miles of Brody, the gateway to Lemberg on the northeast, and are pressing home strong blows against the German and Austro-Hungarian forces defending the city.

Brody is about two and one-half miles inside the Galician line. It is 16 miles south of the Sty River. The strategic position of Brody is of great importance.

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GERMANS EXECUTE SHIP MASTER WHO TRIED TO RAM SUBMARINE U-33

Captain Fryatt, of British Steamship Brussels, Condemned to Death as "Franc-Tireur" of Sea

REWARDED BY BRITAIN

BERLIN (via Sayville wireless), July 28.—Captain Charles Fryatt, of the British steamship Brussels, which was captured by the Germans, has been executed, following the passage of a death sentence upon him by a naval field court, sitting at Zebruggue.

The charge against him was that he tried to ram the German submarine U-33 on March 28, 1915, in the North Sea.

The following official version of the proceedings were given out today by the Admiralty to the Overseas News Agency:

"At Zebruggue on July 27 there was a session of a field court of the naval corps to try Captain Charles Fryatt, of the English steamship Brussels, which had been brought in as a prize. Fryatt was sentenced to death, although not belonging to the armed forces, because on March 28, 1915, near Maas Lightship he tried to ram the German submarine U-33. Fryatt, the first officer and the first engineer received from the British Admiralty gold watches for 'brave conduct' and were mentioned in the House of Commons.

"The U-33 had signaled the British steamship to show her flag and stop, but Captain Fryatt refused to heed the signal and turned at high speed toward the submarine, which escaped only by submerging immediately for some meters. Fryatt admitted that he had followed instructions from the Admiralty. The sentence was confirmed and Fryatt was shot for a 'franc-tireur' crime against armed German sea forces."

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BRITISH PATROL BOATS SINK IN COMBAT WITH GERMAN SUBMARINES

Naval Battle Between English and Teutons Fought Off Scotch Coast, Berlin Report Says

DUTCH RESCUE SAILORS

BERLIN (via Sayville wireless), July 28.—The Dutch newspaper Handelsblad reports a naval battle off the Scotch coast between several German submarines and the patrol boats Nellen, Nutten, Onward and Eva.

The Nellen and the Nutten sank. Three sailors were killed, the remaining sailors being rescued by a Dutch fishing boat off the Doggerbank and landed in a Scotch harbor. It is understood that three of those rescued from the Nellen and Nutten died after as a consequence of their wounds.

The other two patrolboats are supposed to have been lost with their crews.

Four German torpedo-boats brought up two British trading ships off Landiskrona, in international waters.

(The foregoing newspaper report of a naval battle was circulated by the official German News Agency and by them transmitted, in connection with the daily German wireless news, to the United States via Sayville.)



MISS EILEEN WALSH From a photograph taken in Police Court today.

GIRL, LURED BY LIFE'S GAITY, LANDS IN JAIL

HERE ON CHECK FRAUD

Eileen Walsh, of St. John, N. B., Caught After Pose as Millionaire in New York and at Shore

IDENTIFIED BY VICTIM

From convent and college to Atlantic City and a cell in City Hall—here is the biography of Miss Eileen Walsh, 20 years old, of St. John, New Brunswick.

She is under arrest here, accused of defrauding Atlantic City business people by means of bogus checks.

Between sobs she tells the police that she "did it because she wanted to live like a millionaire," and in a prison cell now sits waiting to hear from her grandmother, who, she is sure, will remit \$1000 with which to clear up the debts she incurred while putting up one "swell front" in the city of boardwalks, froth, waves and festivities.

The girl told the police she was the daughter of an erstwhile wealthy liquor dealer of St. John who educated her in a convent and in a college. Upon his death the members of the family went separate ways, and in her loneliness the girl sought happiness in the glittering things of the world.

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BREEZE BEGUILLES ALL TO A CHILLY DELUSION; HEAT JUST AS IT WAS

You May Feel Cooler, but You Shouldn't, Bliss Says, for Temperature Hasn't Budged

NO "RELIEF" IN SIGHT

Middle West Swelters; Nevada Wears Muffs

CHICAGO, July 28.—While the Middle West swelters under a blazing sun today, residents of Winnemucca, Nev., shivered in overcoats with the temperature at 36.

"The coolest spot in the country," stated the Weather Bureau here.

There is no hope! What people thought was cooler weather today is really not much cooler after all. It is still hot, despite what may be said to the contrary. And not only that; there is no chance of the thermometer's dropping to any pleasant degree. Indeed, the chances are that the mercury will gain even greater heights.

This is the outlook given by George S. Bliss, official weather prognosticator. He was weary answering telephone calls from persons who wanted to tell him he had been wrong, and the heat wave, now so famous, is no heat wave at all because this morning dawned cool and comfortable.

"The reason people think it is cooler today," said Mr. Bliss, "is because the air is being stirred a little by northeasterly winds. A high atmospheric pressure over Maine and the immediate St. Lawrence valley sent these winds."

"That pressure may stay there a few days and continue to send us relief, but the probabilities are that it will move out into the Atlantic and the Bermuda high, or high pressure about Bermuda Island, will resume its work of sending us tropical weather. And though we may suffer if this pressure moves eastward from above Maine, the West will be relieved. The atmosphere there will probably drift in behind the moving high pressure."

These northeasterly winds caused a drop of four degrees in Philadelphia's temperature. The humidity remained 10 per cent above normal, or 83 per cent, at 8 o'clock this morning. At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 71. At 8 o'clock it rose to 72; at 9 it was 73, and at 10 o'clock, 74, which temperature was still recorded an hour later. It was 75 at 1 o'clock.

Tonight and tomorrow clouds will gather about Philadelphia, but the indications are that tomorrow will be warmer. The northeasterly winds will continue to be of some relief. The high pressure above the Gulf of St. Lawrence has been known to remain there several days at a time, according to the Weather Bureau, but on most occasions it moves directly out.

"If it does move out," said Forecaster Bliss, "we are likely to have a spell of hot weather. Weather conditions now are similar to those of July 1913, the record hot month in the United States."

GERMANS CLAIM VERDUN MASTERY; PRAISE FRENCH

Bravery of Defenders Prevented Capture of City, Teutons Say

ORDER HALT OF DRIVE

Kaiser's Chiefs Satisfied With Command of Battlefield

By CARL W. ACKERMAN WITH THE GERMAN ARMY BEFORE VERDUN, July 27.—Germany's mastery here at Verdun robbed the French of their greatest chance to co-operate in the Allied drive. If French positions had not been under attack by the German forces, the troops under the tricolor could have hammered them simultaneously with the British thrust. But Germany now dominates the city.

German officers say the main thing now is not whether Germany is to take Verdun, but that the Teutonic forces remain as masters of the battlefield.

Traveling all along the German front in this section, talking with officers and men, I find a different opinion as to the war's end from that entertained elsewhere. The belief of all was best expressed by the grandson of General von Stueben, the Prussian hero of the Revolutionary War, who said:

"The war will last long."

"For 10 miles on each side of the Verdun trenches the face of the earth has literally been blown off. It is marked with shell craters—in some places vast holes 30' to 50 feet deep. Fighting has gone on underground.

Universal respect is accorded French bravery by the Germans here.

"French bravery in the underground trenches," said one staff officer, "was what prevented German troops from capturing the city."

Today from the summits of Hills 171 and 310, the progress of artillery attacks on the hills of Froid de Terre, Thimont and Le Mort Homme could be plainly observed, as well as the details of small infantry attacks.

For fourteen hours the newspaper correspondents were permitted to walk and ride along this enormous battlefield. From observations on this journey and from conversation with the men who are doing the fighting, I am convinced the Anglo-French offensive has not affected the German positions here. Preparations before Verdun were temporarily halted only by orders from German headquarters.

At seven this morning I motored toward the battlefield from Hill 171 and viewed the famous left bank of the Meuse. Forges immediately below the still were crumpled into ruins. Here was dangerous ground—a man's land where no one was permitted to enter. Towns near about were in ruins.

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QUICK NEWS

AMERICAN ACTORS BLACKLISTED IN ENGLAND

NEW YORK, July 28.—American concerns are not the only folks being blacklisted in England. Charles E. Bray, who arrived today on the Adriatic, said American actors and actresses are being black-listed, managers having agreed, at the demand of the English Artists Federation, not to sign contracts with American performers who have appeared in London in large numbers.

EMPIRE CITY RACING RESULTS

First race, 2-year-olds, with \$500 added, 5 1-2 furlongs—Ed Roche, 105, Fairbrother, 4 to 5, 1 to 4, out, won; Gladola, 102, Mink, 3 to 1, 3 to 5, out, second; Storm Nymph, 102, R. Hoffman, 9 to 2, 6 to 5, out, third. Time, 1:08.

Second race, 2-year-olds and up, selling, with \$500 added, 1 mile Jesse, Jr., 117, Leaver, 2 to 1, 1 to 3, out, won; Monocacy, 116, Butwell, 7 to 10, 1 to 8, out, second; Song of Valley, 112, Doyle, 12 to 1, 5 to 2, 7 to 10, third. Time, 1:43 1-5.

GAMBLER-CONVICT BEFORE VICE PROBERS

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Baumgartner, Not Frier Will Reveal the Gambling Conditions

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The man wanted is Charles Baumgartner, who was convicted last April of embezzling funds of the Girard Trust Company. Baumgartner, it is said, lost considerable money in poolrooms and in wire-tapping games.

Friend was returned to the penitentiary and Baumgartner will be brought before the jury immediately.

His appearance before the jury and the testimony of William Reed, a Vire politician of the Third Ward, who has also been subpoenaed, is expected to bring to light several specific instances which will show the actual conditions during the last few months. Reed is a former member of the Legislature. According to D. Clarence Giboney he was caught in a house at Eleventh and Melon streets.

Reed had the contract for removing prisoners from City Hall to Moyamensing Prison during the Blankenburg administration.

CAPTURED IN TENDERLOIN

He was one of five men arrested in the house of Sophie Disue near Thirteenth and Melon streets the night of the raid. That place has a reputation of being frequented by politicians.

Reed was taken to the Tenth and Buttonwood station. And was recognized by D. Clarence Giboney when the Law and Order Society chief came in.

"Hello, Bill, what are you doing here?" queried Giboney.

"Oh, it's nothing, Clarence; I was simply caught down at Sophie Disue's place playing poker," Reed replied.

Reed was taken into the private office of Police Lieutenant Stringer at the station house, and it is said Assistant Director Davis and another man, whose name has not been learned, were in the room.

The next day at the hearing Giboney noticed the absence of Reed. He said Davis, "Where is Reed?" and Davis answered:

"You'll have to forget all about that and winked an eye."

Davis had brought about the release of Reed before the hearing. The prisoner was never slated.

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There were rumors after the raid of July 15 that a Vire politician had been caught and released at the order of Assistant Director Davis. When asked today if a prisoner named William Reed had been arrested on the night of the raid and later released, Lieutenant Stringer said he was not at the station house at the time of the raid. He denied that he had been ordered to release any prisoner of that name.

Considerable significance was attached to a statement of Lieutenant Van Horn, one of the suspended police officials, before he entered the jury room today. Asked whether he had ever received instructions not to molest any dives in the Tenderloin district, he said, "I won't say, I'll not deny or affirm. I'm not the least nervous."

Serious revelations are expected through the testimony of Samuel Schwartz, alias "Chink," who will also testify today. Schwartz says he will give the name of a special policeman who received protection money from gambling house and dive keepers and also tell how this policeman contacted cocaine and other "dope" in raids on dens and later sold the "dope" to users for his own profit. It is expected that the testimony of Schwartz will bring the Federal authorities into the investigation.

MCBRIDE WILL TESTIFY

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Among others who will testify today are Director Wilson, Captain William J. McFadden, Lieutenant Haines, of the Eighth and Jefferson streets station, and Vice Squad Officer Charles Lee, recently suspended, and Acting Captain John Ewing.

Friend, the star witness, left the penitentiary at 11:30 accompanied by Warden McKenty. He made no mention of what he intended to tell the jury.

The prisoner was convicted of embezzling more than \$70,000 from building and loan associations.

SMITH WANTS TO BE WITNESS

Mayor Smith said today that he was awaiting call from the Grand Jury to appear on the witness stand and tell what he knows of vice conditions. In emphatic terms he also asserted that vice matter may be exposed by the investigation.

"I am as determined today as I was the day of my inauguration," the Mayor added, "to make Philadelphia the cleanest city in the country. I intend to see that every dive-out, no matter who may be exposed by the Grand Jury investigation, the men must go.

A complete shake-up in the police department is foreshadowed in the grand map-out for today's session of the jury.

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